Rockport Conservation Commission Policy Temporary Storage of Items Adjacent to Wetlands

INTRODUCTION & DESCRIPTION:

The Town of Rockport is a coastal community and the Conservation Commission recognizes that the areas within 100' of coastal and inland wetlands are used for the temporary seasonal storage of items. Our considerations in allowing this type of activity are that the storage is temporary, seasonal and that it leaves the land in its pre-existing condition. Temporary seasonal storage we define as storage of no more than six (6) consecutive months in any calendar year. Permanent storage within these areas shall require Conservation Commission approval.

POLICY:

The Rockport Conservation Commission regulations specify that activities may be exempt from application requirements <u>if they are not in a coastal or inland wetland</u>, <u>are temporary in nature</u>, <u>have a negligible impact</u> and <u>which upon completion</u>, <u>leave the affected Rockport Protected Wetland in its pre-existing condition</u>.

The following are some examples of items that may be stored temporarily.

- 1. Boats and boating equipment.
- 2. Boat trailers.
- 3. Fishing gear including items such as lobster traps, buoys and lines.
- 4. Outdoor furniture, games and children's toys.
- 5. Miscellaneous lawn equipment such as tools, barbeque grills, mosquito control devices and lanterns.

REASONING:

This policy is to clarify and show examples of what is considered allowable temporary storage within the **Rockport Protected Wetland**.

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